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et al : Art Unit: 1756
Appln. No.: 10/056,577 :
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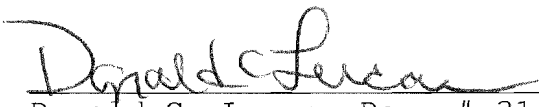
Enclosed is an Office Action from the corresponding Japanese case, dated August 14, 2007; and an English Translation of the Office Action; a copy of each of the two cited references with English Abstracts and machine translations as provided by the Japanese Patent Office; and a PTO Form SB/08A citing the two references. Furthermore, its submitted that such a limitation distinguishes over the references cited in the Japanese Office Action.

It should be noted that the claims under examination in JPO are not the same as those of the U.S. Application. Claim 1 in the U.S. recites that the toner resin comprises a specific amount of acidic or basic component. There is no such limitation in outstanding JP claims.

Should any further fees or extensions of time be necessary in order to maintain this Application in pending condition, appropriate requests are hereby made and authorization is given to debit account #02-2275.

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Attached: PTO Form SB/08A and references